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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

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SUBJECT: Recent Soviet Intelligence Developments

DIA review(s) completed.

I was briefed this morning by DIA on the new Soviet ICBM programs.
Their latest analyses produced four items of interest:

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The political significance of this development overshadows its strategic significance. DIA's reassessment comes at a time when we are faced with major decisions about limiting MIRVs at SALT. Their analysis will reopen

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the contentious debate that raged in late 1970 and 1971 over Soviet MIRV capabilities and will fuel the arguments of the JCS and some elements in OSD (DDR&E) who are opposed to any consideration of MIRV limits at SALT.

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